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brine, or otherwise processed in such manner as the Council, with the approval of the Secretary, may determine.

#### §1209.12 On average.

On average means a rolling average of production or imports during the last two fiscal years, or such other period as may be determined by the Secretary.

## §1209.13 Part and subpart.

Part means this mushroom promotion and research order and all rules and regulations and supplemental orders issued thereunder, and the term subpart means the mushroom promotion and research order.

#### § 1209.14 Person.

*Person* means any individual, group of individuals, partnership, corporation, association, cooperative, or any other legal entity.

## § 1209.15 Producer.

Producer means any person engaged in the production of mushrooms who owns or shares the ownership and risk of loss of such mushrooms and who produces, on average, over 500,000 pounds of mushrooms per year.

# § 1209.16 Programs, plans, and projects.

Programs, plans, and projects means promotion, research, consumer information, and industry information plans, studies, projects, or programs conducted pursuant to this part.

#### § 1209.17 Promotion.

Promotion means any action determined by the Secretary to enhance the image or desirability of mushrooms, including paid advertising.

## §1209.18 Region.

Region means one of the described geographic subdivisions of the production areas described in §1209.30 (b) or as later realigned or reapportioned pursuant thereto, or the import region described in §1209.30(c).

## § 1209.19 Research.

Research means any type of study to advance the image, desirability, safety, marketability, production, product development, quality, or nutritional value of mushrooms.

## §1209.20 Secretary.

Secretary means the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or any officer or employee of the Department to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in the Secretary's stead.

#### §1209.21 State and United States.

- (a) State means any of the several States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- (b) United States means collectively the several States of the United States of America, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

MUSHROOM COUNCIL

# § 1209.30 Establishment and membership.

- (a) There is hereby established a Mushroom Council of not less than four or more than nine members. The Council shall be composed of producers appointed by the Secretary under §1209.33, except that, as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, importers shall be appointed by the Secretary to the Council under §1209.33 once imports, on average, reach at least 50,000,000 pounds of mushrooms annually.
- (b) For purposes of nominating and appointing producers to the Council, the United States shall be divided into three geographic regions and the number of Council members from each region shall be as follows:
- (1) Region 1: All other States including the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico except for Pennsylvania and California—2 Members.
- (2) Region 2: The State of Pennsylvania—4 Members.
- (3) Region 3: The State of California—2 Members.
- (c) Importers shall be represented by a single, separate region, referred to as Region 4, consisting of the United